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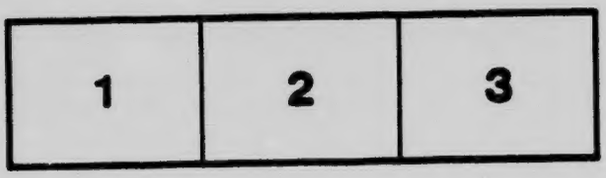

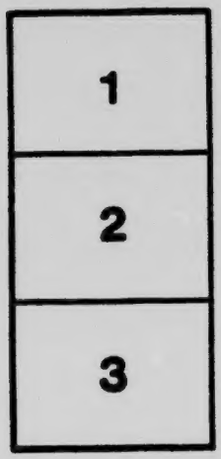

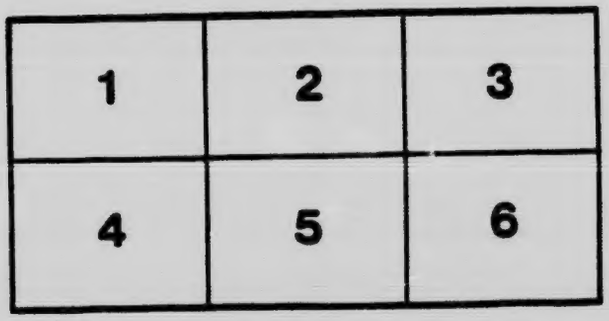

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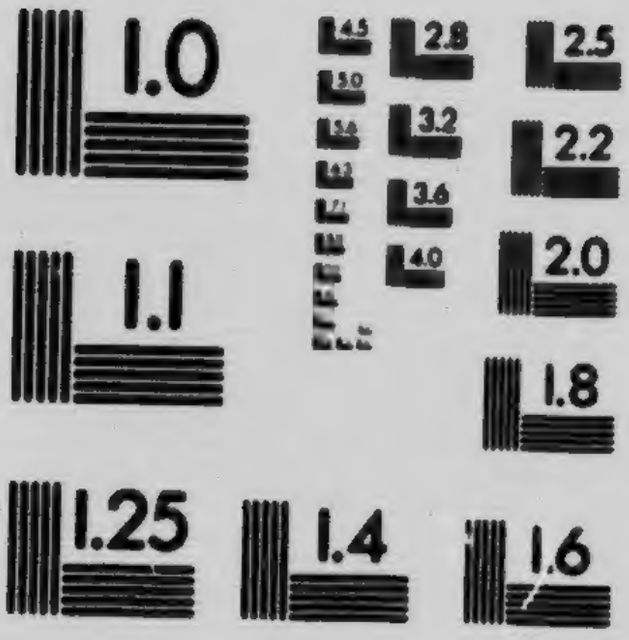

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"Camping, cooking, day and night marching, taking bearings, judging heights and distances, sending and receiving messages by semaphore and the Morse code are regarded as an invaluable training in prac-

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tical observation. When added to these there are included instruction in map-reading, sketching, woodcraft, natural history, first aid, and conciseness in expression, the educational value of such training becomes patent at once. Good reason is there, therefore, why schoolmasters warmly advocate the new movement, and do all they can to encourage the formation of new 'patrols' in the various schools under their charge. A number of these patrols were employed in connection with the recent Territorial training in various parts of the country. Their endurance, intelligence and keenness were surprising, and officers of well-known standing expressed themselves as being thoroughly pleased with their work.

"The secret of the success of the movement lies in the fact that it appeals to that spirit of adventure that lies latent even in the man of mature years. What British boy is not fond of adventure, or has not a taste for hunting in some form or other? Probably few indeed, and so it is that the principles and work of the scouts are such as appeal directly to the lad's nature, while the training is all that can be desired to make a clean, healthy, wholesome man of him. He is taught hygiene, and has to go through

There is no military meaning attached to the word scouting. Peace scouting comprises the attributes of frontiersmen in the way of resourcefulness and self-reliance, and the many good qualities which make them men among men. There is no intention of making the lads into soldiers or of teaching them bloodthirstiness.

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a course of physical drill; nothing, in fact, is neglected to induce him to get the best out of his body, and, naturally, the manoeuvres he performs in the country benefit him not a little. Everything is done with the object of sharpening the boy's intelligence, power of observation and sense of responsibility. But the training is much wider even than this, for, in fact, the handicrafts, the arts and sciences are brought in to make him a good scout. He is taught something of the mystic movements of the stars; to be a good hunter, he learns how to build huts, bridges and even boats, to light fires and to cook; he learns of trees, of plants, of the birds and beasts of the field, and he studies field sketching to enable him to report on the country. Again, he is specially instructed in ambulance work, life-saving, fire brigade work, and the way to stop runaway horses. He is also encouraged to learn history, and always his eyes are kept busy, and the little brain behind his eyes also, to direct his hands to works of usefulness. Who then can gainsay the fact that General Baden-Powell has accomplished a truly wonderful work among the youth of this country, while he is providing an unfailing source of supply for the national army of the future?"—United Service Gazette.

To sum up, the whole object of the ***Boy Scouts*** is to seize the boy's character in its red-hot stage of enthusiasm, and to weld it into the right shape and to encourage and develop its individuality—so that the boy may become a good man and a valuable citizen for our country in the near future, instead of being a waste of God's material.

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